# 5 AWS Cloud Projects

for Beginners & <u>Intermediate Learners</u>



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#### **5 AWS Cloud Projects for Beginners & Intermediate Learners**

Cloud computing skills are in high demand, and gaining hands-on experience is the best way to solidify your knowledge and build confidence. AWS offers a wide range of services, and working on real-world projects can help you understand how they fit together. This ebook is designed for **beginners and intermediate learners** looking to develop their AWS skills, build a portfolio, and work toward AWS certifications.

By completing these projects, you will:

- Gain hands-on experience with AWS services.
- Learn best practices for deploying and managing cloud applications.
- Build a portfolio of projects that demonstrate your skills to potential employers.
- Prepare for AWS certifications by applying theoretical knowledge in realworld scenarios.

Each project in this guide is structured to give you a clear starting point while allowing room for customization and exploration. Let's get started!

### **How to Use This Guide**

This eBook features 5 AWS cloud projects, each with a structured format.

While implementation steps and code are provided, some details are intentionally left open-ended to encourage problem-solving and independent learning - one of the most effective ways to master AWS.

#### **5 AWS Cloud Projects for Beginners & Intermediate Learners**

These projects and challenges are just a few examples of the many practical activities students in our Cloud Mastery Bootcamp tackle to develop strong and differentiated hands-on skills.

**IMPORTANT**: To access the instructions and code, download your project zip file here: https://dctpublic.s3.us-east-1.amazonaws.com/5-aws-cloud-projects.zip

#### What You'll Need

- Instructions and code: Download the project zip file here.
- **AWS Free Tier Account:** Some projects may incur minimal costs beyond the free tier, it's on you to understand AWS billing and ensure you minimize your bills.
- A public domain registered in Amazon Route 53 (used in a couple of projects).
- Basic knowledge of **AWS CLI**, **AWS Management Console**, and optionally **Infrastructure as Code (IaC)** tools like CloudFormation or Terraform.
- Microsoft Visual Studio Code (or similar) for viewing the instructions and code.
- A willingness to **experiment** and **troubleshoot** this is where the most important learning happens!

### **5 AWS Cloud Projects for Beginners & Intermediate Learners**

#### **Tips for Success**

- Start with beginner projects before moving to more advanced ones.
- **Document your work** write about your experiences on GitHub or a personal blog.
- **Optimize costs** use AWS Free Tier whenever possible and clean up resources after use.
- **Think beyond the guide** try adding features, optimizing performance, or securing your deployment.

## **AWS Cloud Project Ideas**

Each project follows this structure for easy understanding and implementation. Fill in the details for each project based on your expertise.

# Project 1: Create a Web Server on Amazon EC2

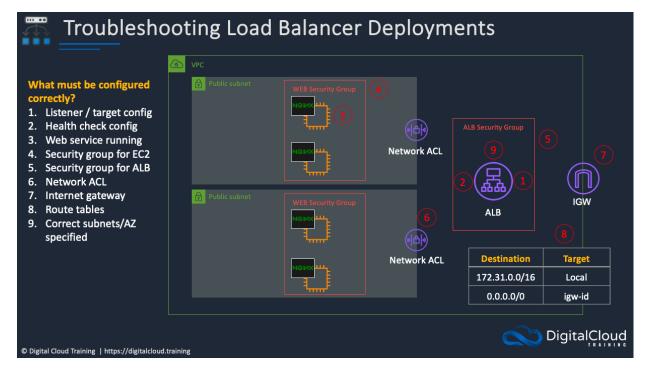
- Skill Level: Beginner
- **Description:** In this project you will deploy an Apache web server running on an Amazon EC2 instance
- AWS Services Used: Amazon EC2

# Project 2: Load Balanced Architecture with Advanced Request Routing

- Skill Level: Beginner
- Description: In this project you will deploy a load balanced application and implement advanced request routing using both path-based and host-based routing
- AWS Services Used: Amazon EC2, Amazon ELB, Amazon Route 53

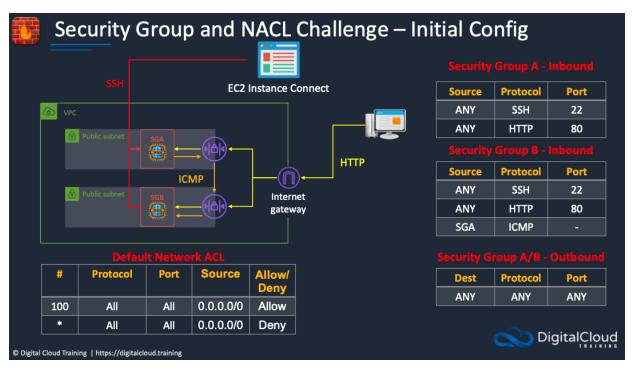
# **Project 3: Broken Web App Challenge**

- Skill Level: Intermediate
- **Description:** In this challenge you will use AWS CloudFormation to deploy an application which DOES NOT work correctly. Your job is to fix the deployed application
- AWS Services Used: Amazon EC2, Amazon ELB Tips on troubleshooting load balancer deployments:



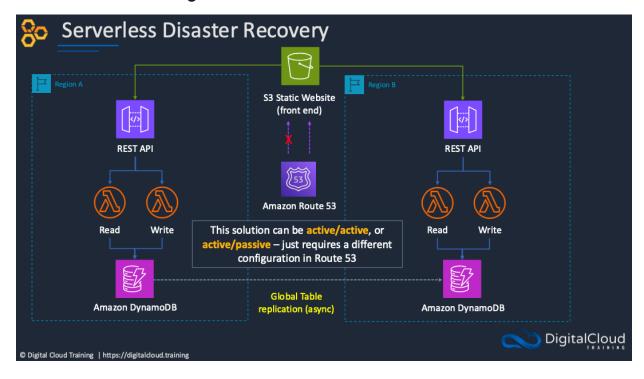
# **Project 4: Security Group and NACL Challenge**

- Skill Level: Intermediate
- **Description:** In this challenge you will create a custom VPC and two security groups. You will then launch EC2 instances and test connectivity using different protocols
- AWS Services Used: Amazon VPC, Amazon EC2 Architecture Diagram:



# **Project 5: Serverless Cross-Region DR**

- Skill Level: Intermediate / Advanced
- **Description:** In this more advanced project you will deploy a serverless application that is highly available across multiple AWS Regions and perform a disaster recovery (DR) failover
- AWS Services Used: Amazon API Gateway, AWS Lambda, Amazon DynamoDB, Amazon S3, AWS Certificate Manager, Amazon Route 53
   Architecture Diagram:



# **Bonus Section: How to Showcase Your AWS Projects**

## 1. Document Your Projects on GitHub

Employers love seeing real-world projects in action. Creating a repository for each project and including a README file with details about your setup, architecture, and results will help showcase your skills.

#### What to Include in Your GitHub Repo:

- Project description and objectives
- AWS architecture diagram (if applicable)
- Step-by-step implementation notes
- Code snippets for automation (if used)
- Lessons learned and potential improvements

## 2. Write a Portfolio Blog Post

Consider writing a blog post about each project and sharing it on platforms like **LinkedIn, Medium, or Dev.to**. This will not only help reinforce your learning but also position you as an AWS practitioner.

#### **Blog Post Structure:**

- Introduction: The problem or challenge you addressed
- Solution: How you implemented it with AWS services
- Key Takeaways: What you learned, challenges faced, and how you solved them
- Next Steps: Enhancements you plan to make in the future

## 3. Share Your Projects on LinkedIn & GitHub

LinkedIn is a great place to gain visibility. Post about your AWS projects and engage with the cloud computing community.

### **How to Post Effectively:**

- Share your project journey, including obstacles and solutions.
- Include screenshots or AWS architecture diagrams.
- Tag AWS-related hashtags (#AWS, #CloudComputing, #DevOps).

# Fast-Track Your Cloud Career with the Cloud Mastery Bootcamp

Hands-on AWS experience is key to mastering cloud computing, and if you want to build more real-world skills, gain expert support, and become fully job-ready, the Cloud Mastery Bootcamp is the perfect next step.

When joining the Cloud Mastery Bootcamp, you'll:

- Attend live training sessions with expert instructors throughout the 12month program
- Work on advanced, real-world AWS projects to deepen your expertise
- Get expert guidance and mentorship to help you overcome challenges
- Receive career coaching and personalized support to land your next-level cloud job
- Join a community of cloud learners for networking and collaboration

With a structured, career-focused approach, this hands-on program will help you accelerate your cloud journey, stand out to employers, and fast-track your career success in the cloud industry.

Explore the Cloud Mastery Bootcamp now and take the next step toward a high-paying cloud role!





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